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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s)** : COATES, et al.  
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**For** : AN ABRASION ASSEMBLY FOR SUPPORTING RAILROAD TIES  
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Mail Stop Amendment  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37CFR 1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 17, 2004, kindly amend the subject application as follows. Amendments to the claims start on page 2. The Remarks section starts in page 11.